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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 635
By Davis (Wash)

A RESOLUTION to memorialize the United States Congress to institute procedures to add an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to allow voluntary school prayer.

WHEREAS, under Article V of the Constitution of the United States, amendments to the federal Constitution may be proposed by the Congress whenever two-thirds (2/3) of both houses deem it necessary, or, on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds (2/3) of the several states, the Congress shall call a constitutional convention for the purpose of proposing amendments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That the Congress is urged to institute procedures under Article V of the Constitution of the United States, to add an amendment to the Constitution to allow voluntary prayer in public schools.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Congress is requested, as an alternative, to call a constitutional convention for the specific and exclusive purpose of proposing an amendment

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to the Constitution of the United States, such amendment to be substantially similar to the one proposed herein relative to voluntary school prayer.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be sent to the Honorable Richard B. Cheney, Vice President of the United States and President of the U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C.; the Honorable J. Dennis Hastert, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Washington, D.C.; and to each member of the United States Senate and House of Representatives from Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution also be sent to the presiding officers of the other state legislative bodies in the United States, with the request that the other states join in applying to the Congress to initiate procedures for amending the Constitution of the United States in substantially the form proposed in this resolution or to call a constitutional convention for the purpose proposed herein.